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Please amend the paragraph at page 2, lines 3-19, as follows:

The above noted phenomenon becomes prominent in the case where a plurality of TCP connections having relative close RTT (Round Trip Time) values are sharing the same channel having the data loss compensation function. This is the case of utilizing a WWW (World Wide Web) browser such as ~~Netscape Navigator~~ NETSCAPE NAVIGATOR (registered trademark) or ~~Internet Explorer~~ INTERNET EXPLORER (registered trademark) in which a plurality of TCP connections are set up simultaneously in general, for example. The TCP carries out the flow control by changing a window size, and when a TCP transmission terminal receives ACK (Acknowledgement), this terminal immediately transmits packets that have become transmittable upon receiving this ACK. As a result, there is little possibility for a transmission of other packets to interrupt the continuous transmission of packets of a specific TCP connection. Consequently, there is a tendency for packets of the same TCP connection to be transmitted in lumps.